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SUBJECT: COAL CONVERSION TECHNOLOGY FOR AUSTRALIA

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1. FRG-GOA PLANS FOR JOINT FEASIBILITY STUDY ON CONVERTING COAL INTO OIL (REF A) HAVE DEVELOPED TO POINT WHERE DECISION TO PROCEED IS IRREVERSIBLE ALTHOUGH PRECISE DETAILS OF COOPERATIVE VENTURE HAVE NOT BEEN FINALIZED. AT THIS TIME, GOA WOULD NOT CONSIDER EMBARRASSING FRG BY REVOKING STUDY AGREEMENT. DOMESTICALLY, THE FRG-GOA AGREEMENT IS FAVORABLE BECAUSE AUSTRALIAN PARTICIPATION IN PROJECT REPRESENTS FIRST COOPERATIVE EFFORT BETWEEN COMMONWEALTH AND STATES IN A RESEARCH PROJECT ASSOCIATED WITH ENERGY SECTOR. ACHIEVEMENT OF DOMESTIC COOPERATION ON ENERGY RELATED FIELDS HAS LONG BEEN OBJECTIVE OF GOA.

2. FACT THAT FRG-GOA STUDY IS TO PROCEED DOES NOT PRECLUDE POSSIBILITY OF FUTURE STUDIES ON COAL
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CONVERSION. FRG-GOA STUDY IS NOT STUDY TO END ALL STUDIES, BUT RATHER IS A LOOK AT ONE CONVERSION TECHNOLOGY. DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL RESOURCES (DNR) COAL OFFICIAL TOLD RESOURCES ATTACHE (RA) THAT GOA COULD BE INTERESTED IN FUTURE CONSULTATIONS WITH US DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY (DOE) ON COAL CONVERSION TECHNOLOGY.

3. PARSONS OFFICIAL TOLD RA THAT THEIR INITIATIVES
WITH DNR HAVE BEEN WELL RECEIVED AND WILL CONTINUE.
PARSONS IS PROPOSING TO TAKE DNR OFFICIAL TO US
FOR DISCUSSIONS WITH PARSONS OFFICIALS IN CALIFORNIA
AND THEN ON TO WASHINGTON FOR DOE DISCUSSIONS.
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